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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hisashi YAMAGISHI et al

Appln. No. 08/898,853

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For: MULTI-PIECE SOLD GOLF BALL

Group Art Unit: 3711

Examiner: G. Marlo

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 29, 1998, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5 and 9 as follows:

5. (Amended) A multi-piece solid golf ball having a structure of at least four layers, said ball comprising; a core having a structure consisting of an inner sphere formed of a rubber material based on polybutadiene and a layer surrounding the inner sphere and formed mainly of a thermoplastic resin or rubber base material, and a cover enclosing the core and consisting of inner and outer cover layers, said outer cover layer having a hardness of 40 to 60 degrees on Shore D and said inner cover layer having a

hardness of up to 53 degrees on Shore D and lower than that of said

outer cover layer, said core having a diameter of 35 to 41 mm, and

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